

### **Press Release No-349**

#### **Governor conferred the Honorary Degree of Doctorate in Literature**

**Itanagar, April, 7:** Arunachal Pradesh Governor General (Retd) J.J. Singh was conferred the Honorary Degree of Doctorate in Literature by Shri Jagdishprasad Jhabarmal Tibrewala University, Jhunjhunu in a special convocation of the University at Mumbai on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2012., reports PRO to Governor.

JJT University, an autonomous University established under act of Government of Rajasthan is managed by NGO, Shri Rajasthani Seva Sangh.

In his acceptance speech, the Governor said that he deem that conferment of the degree is an acknowledgement to the people of Arunachal Pradesh.

Dwelling in length about the potentials of the State in hydropower, tourism and other sectors and also informing that Arunachal Pradesh has adopted the state Public Private Partnership Policy, paving the way for private investment in various sectors of the State, the Governor invited the corporate leaders and NGOs to Arunachal Pradesh and support the socio-economic efforts of the State Government for the cause of Arunachalees, the sentinels of our country.

Stating that Arunachal Pradesh is a very young State, which has just completed 25 years of Statehood, the education sector in the State is yet to fully develop. He said that today, the State has only one University, two technical institutes including one National Institute of Technology, nine government colleges and eight colleges run by non-governmental organization. Inviting the NGOs like Shri Rajasthani Seva Sangh to join hands in spreading the light of education, the Government also informed that Government of Arunachal is going to set up institutions of higher and technical education under the PPP mode.

The Governor went on to suggest for inter university activities, like exchange programmes. He said that the initiative will definitely help the students in learning about their peers in other Universities and vice versa. While looking forward for cooperation, he also suggested for exchange programme for the teaching faculty, which he feel will engrain better teaching methods. The Governor requested NGOs with educational goals to be partners in development of education in the Frontier State of Arunachal Pradesh.

Seven other eminent personalities from various fields, from spiritual, social, educational to literary etc. were also conferred the Honorary Degree of Doctorate in Literature, which include Shri Murlidhar Chandrakant Bhandare, Governor of Odisha, Dr. Shrimati Kamla Beniwal, Governor of Gujarat, Shri Ranjit Shekhar Mooshahary,

Governor of Meghalaya, Shri Mhamandleshwar Swami Vishweshwaranand Giriji Maharaj, Shri Sanwarmal Sanganeriaji, writer and Shri Vijay D. Patil, President of Padmashree D.Y. Patil Sports Academy on the occasion.

The degrees were conferred in a special convocation of JJT University, which coincided with the Golden Jubilee celebration of Shri Rajasthani Seva Sangh and Silver Jubilee celebration of Parmeshwari Devi Durga Dutt Tibrewala College.

Led by Trustee & President of Shri Rajasthani Seva Sangh Shri Vinod Tibrewala, the University at Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan though situated in a rural area is set to create a record with almost 3000 Research Scholars registered and 2500 Ph.D Guides on their rolls. It is creating a niche in the field of Research. The University has started a number of courses which are industry oriented and also plans to start new courses which are first in the nation. It is managed by Shri Rajasthani Seva Sangh, which is making tireless efforts in all social activities for last fifty years.

It is another feather to his cap for General Singh who was awarded the Capital Foundation Award in recognition of his outstanding contributions to security and development by Capital Foundation, New Delhi recently. Former President of India Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Presented the award to the Governor in the Capital Foundation Annual Lecture at India Islamic Cultural Centre, New Delhi on December 5 last. Recognizing the distinguished contribution made by him towards India's Security and Nation building 'The Sikh Forum UK' a renowned World Sikh body awarded him with coveted 'Sikh of the Year 2007' at London (UK) on 28 Oct 2007. He was also awarded the prestigious 'Life Time Achievement Award' on 26 Apr 08 by the Mother Teresa's International & Millennium Awards Committee, for being 'The protector of the country and a social worker'. The World Punjabi Organization conferred him the 'Punjabi Ratan Award' for his 'Invaluable Contribution to the Nation' on 11 Apr 2009, *the report added.*

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